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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Re: Application of Hiroshi TANAKA  
AN IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS AND FIXING TEMPERATURE CONTROL  
METHOD FOR THE APPARATUS  
Assignee: **SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**  
Our Ref. Q78396

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising fifty-one (51) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and twelve (12) sheets of drawings. **The requisite U.S. Government Filing Fee, executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, and Assignment will be filed at a later date.** Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified).

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>22</u> - 20	=	<u>2</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$36.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>6</u> - 3	=	<u>3</u>	x	\$86.00	=	<u>\$258.00</u>
Base Fee							<u>\$770.00</u>

**TOTAL FEE**

**\$1064.00**

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2002-364178	December 16, 2002
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Japan	2003-003899	January 10, 2003

The priority documents are enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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